



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
United States Patent and Trademark Office
Address: COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER NO. 09/936,810	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT Peter Balfour Dugmore	ATTY. DOCKET NO. P-6284
---	--	----------------------------

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/IB00/00287

I.A. FILING DATE 03/17/2000	PRIORITY DATE
--------------------------------	---------------

Piper Marbury
Rudnick & Wolfe
PO Box 64807
Chicago, IL 60664-0807

CONFIRMATION NO. 9229

371 ACCEPTANCE LETTER



Date Mailed: 07/29/2003

NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

<u>02/01/2002</u>	<u>02/01/2002</u>
DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS	DATE OF RECEIPT OF ALL 35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363). Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/17/2001
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/17/2001
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 09/17/2001
- Oath or Declaration filed on 02/01/2002
- Small Entity Statement filed on 09/17/2001
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 09/17/2001
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 09/17/2001
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/17/2001

FOREIGN APPLICATIONS

SOUTH AFRICA 2A 99/2146 FILED 3/17/1999

RECEIVED

AUG 05 2003
259136-005805
PIPER MARBURY RUDNICK & WOLFE

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

VONDA M WALLACE
Telephone: (703) 305-3736

PART 1 - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY

FORM PCT/DO/EO/903 (371 Acceptance Notice)